



Clark County Local Emergency Planning Committee

CLARK COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER
500 S. GRAND CENTRAL PKWY
LAS VEGAS, NV 89106
PUEBLO ROOM

**Wednesday, February 17, 2016
9:00 A.M.**

DRAFT MINUTES

LEPC MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Steinbeck, Rachel Skidmore, Irene Navis, Rick Breeden, Bill Richardson, Elaine Houser, Mike Richardson, Richard Brenner, Nancy Newell, Carolyn Levering, Fernandez Leary, Tim O'Neil, Jeff Lytle, Mike Wilson, Kevin Nicholson, Jacqueline Reszatar, Renee Tyler, Donnie Foster, Sandy Seda, Todd Lericos, Ryan Turner,

LEPC ALTERNATES PRESENT:

Chris Sproule, George Molnar,

LEPC MEMBERS ABSENT:

Scott Fuller, Tom Axtell, Glenn Closson, , Christopher Kash, Stuart Turner, James Olschlager, Alex Perez, Scott Robbins, Roy Michael, Wendy Pagan Bill Knipper, Ed Wilds, Christa Kelly, Ronald Burog, Felix Acevedo, John Hines Dave Goss, Dave Dahl, Phil Klevorick, John Fudenberg

I. Call to Order

John Steinbeck, LEPC Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:08 A.M. on Wednesday February 17, 2016

II. Roll Call

Misty Richardson, quorum present

III. Public Comments

- Richard Brenner advised that James Olschlager was retired as of last week, NHP will be updating their membership shortly.

IV. Comments from the Chair

- No comments

V. Approval of the January 6, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion, by Steve Kramer: To approve the minutes as recorded.

Seconded, by George Molnar

No discussion, motioned carried.

VI. Review and Approve the HMEP Mid-Cycle Grant Application in the amount of \$2,000 to allow Richard Brenner to attend the 2016 Annual National Association of SARA Title III Program Officials (NASTTPO) conference the week of May 22 through 27, 2016

Richard Brenner provided background for the item and informed the committee about the purpose behind his annual attendance as the Co-Chair of the SERC.

Motion by, Elaine Houser: To approve the application as submitted.

Seconded by, Irene Navis

No discussion, motioned carried

VII. Review and Approve the HMEP Grant Application in the amount of \$24,689 to allow the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department to purchase hazardous materials Response equipment for first responders

Karen Taylor advised that this was a continuation of the previous meetings application, since this item didn't make it on the agenda at that time it was included on this agenda. Karen advised that the application had been submitted to the SERC already and it was going through the process now with the other applications. Karen stated the items that Metro was intending to purchase. Karen then advised that the BCC approved this item in the meeting yesterday. Richard Brenner then explained what purpose the bio harnesses serve. Rick Breeden then spoke about the purpose of the equipment and stated that he had nothing to add beyond the information that Karen and Richard provided.

Motion by, Ryan Turner: **To approve**

Seconded by, Nancy Newell

No discussion, motioned carried

VIII. Review and Approve the FY2017 LEPC Planning, Training and Exercise grant in the amount of \$28,972 for Clark County operational costs to support the LEPC, and monitoring and detection equipment for the Cities of Las Vegas, Henderson and Mesquite.

Karen Taylor advised she received seven applications totaling \$136,000.00 which was well over the grant of \$30,000. Karen stated that there was a grant subcommittee to review the applications and the following were the recommendations to put forward to the LEPC for approval: City of Las Vegas in the amount of \$6,722.00 for 2 detectors Clark County Fire Department \$ 6,480.00 one monitor and 4 Cyanokits City Of Henderson \$6,100.00 1 monitor and City Of Mesquite \$5,639.00 and they will try to purchase 4 gas monitors. All total \$28,972.00 in applications were submitted and \$4,000 was added for operational costs. Karen advised that the BCC approved the application yesterday and it was sent to the SERC.

Rachel Skidmore asked what projects were not funded, Karen advised that North Las Vegas (NLV) had submitted a repeat of their previous application that is now being considered for HMEP mid cycle they also submitted a second application for training. The group advised NLV that this training was available for free through the State Fire Marshal's Office therefore removed it for consideration. The third was from LVMPD for training but the training was for homemade explosives and it didn't fit within the SERC rules so the recommendation was for them to go to Homeland Security funding or seek other funding sources. Rachel acknowledged that she knew the LEPC grants subcommittee always worked diligently to make sure all were taken care of and expressed her appreciation.

Irene Navis advised the LEPC that DHS may have the technical assistance for free for LVMPD. She also advised that there have been conversations this week with the SERC and clarifying the nexus on HMEP applications to a. transportation and b. equipment. Irene reiterated that this funding must be used for Training and Exercises not daily operations, this must be made very clear in the justification on the application.

George Molnar, asked if this was procedurally ok that it was being approved after the subcommittees action of sending this forward to the SERC. Discussion ensued, Richard Brenner answered and said it was required so it was ok. The Chair followed up by stating he was told it was within the procedures of the SERC and was allowable. George then stated if that was the case he would make a motion.

Motion by, George Molnar: **To approve**

Seconded by, Mike Wilson

No discussion, motioned carried

IX. Satellite Phone Workgroup administrative name change

Dimitri Theodorou explained the reasoning behind the name change. He advised that they are encompassing all forms of communications equipment. The new name will be Alternate Communications Working Group.

George Molnar asked for clarification that this workgroup does not overlap the Urban Area Communications Working Group (UACWG.) The Chair confirmed Georges understanding that there was not a duplicate effort but instead this was in addition to and addressed other forms aside from radio that did not fall under the UACWG.

Motion by, Todd Lericos: **To approve the name change**

Seconded by, Elaine Houser

No discussion, motioned carried

X. Presentation regarding public outreach product available for demonstration to and use by local government and non-profit agencies to promote emergency preparedness

Bud Proctor, Global Innovations, introduced his product and program then narrated through a power point presentation (*see attached*) Bud spoke about the technology and how it would be beneficial for community education, then answered questions from the group.

XI. A. LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

a. Plans Administration Subcommittee

Richard Brenner stated that there has been nothing additional done beyond the HazMat plan that was just submitted. Irene Navis advised that the bids have come in for the consultant for the update on the next plan, final selection is pending. Irene further stated that they were granted additional time to update the plan to include the radiation component.

b. Training Subcommittee

Ric LaPorte advised that everyone on the distribution list has received information on VG-17. There will be a Workshop in the spring and a full scale in the fall. The spring workshop will be about Mass Migration and the fall will focus on the federal requests and a full scale MACC. He stated that he has sent a request for each agency to provide a planner thus far he has only received back a few names and even less extent of play agreements. Ric asked those that received the email to please respond, he created a fillable form for everyone to use more easily.

c. Grants Subcommittee

Karen Taylor stated that there was a recent grant subcommittee meeting to review the SERC OPTE applications and she advised that she anticipates the United We Stand Grant will be coming out soon.

d. Public Information Subcommittee

Misty Richardson reported that the subcommittee has been working on the Southern Nevada Emergency Preparedness App for Smartphones with anticipation it will be ready to begin actively promoting by March 15th. The subcommittee has actively been working to input data from the whole community into the App which includes materials from Henderson's Get Ready Stay Ready Campaign CERT and other educational campaigns of the sort. Print materials are also being worked on, the subcommittee agreed to use the Southern Nevada Health District Keeping your Family Safe During Disasters as a base to go from. Yuri Graves asked that Jeff Quinn be thanked for his assistance in providing the electronic version of the document.

e. Legislative Subcommittee

Irene Navis reported that there was nothing to report at the local level. She announced that federal grants had been dropped this week and what that would mean to the group. Irene mentioned the EPWG grant and waiting for final legislation. She also spoke about the President's budget and the significant cuts to Homeland Security funding.

f. GIS Subcommittee

Richard Wells reported that one of the 2016 goals for this subcommittee was to come up with guidance for secured sharing of Geospatial data, he introduced subcommittee member Jason Hall from Water Reclamation to provide the update. Jason advised that they are trying to put together a policy document to figure out how they will securely deliver data during an emergency response. Bringing the data forward during the emergency is too late so they are all working to determine what data is important and who would need the data and how they would pass the data on in a timely manner. Jason discussed various options for how this information could be shared.

g. Community Awareness & Emergency Response (CAER)

Richard Brenner reported on behalf of Glenn Closson. He reported that they have not met since January. He further stated that OLIN may be getting out of the business of Chlorine here locally, however that has not been fully decided yet. The group is still working with Henderson and they are planning to schedule another meeting soon.

h. Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD)

i. Emergency Management Coordinators Group (EMC)

No report

j. Metropolitan Medical Response Update

Chris Sproule advised that they still have the continue to have the support and participation from the hospitals for the all hospital radio test. During the day they are having excellent results and working on improving the evening test results. Chris reported that he continues working with the new communications specialist in the FAO on ICS to help them get more familiar with what is going on out in the field. He then reported that he will be working with UMC to get a disaster management and emergency preparedness course set up in the next six months or so.

k. Nuclear Waste Division Yucca Mountain Update

Irene Navis reported on behalf of Phil that DOE is targeting June 23 for the TTX focused on PIO interaction during a nuclear accident centered around uranium shipments starting next year. Exact start time details haven't been provided just yet, stay tuned.

l. State Emergency Response Commission

Richard Brenner reported that Tammy has resigned and Stephanie is now alone up there. A young lady by the name of Gwen is temporarily helping. He then stated that there was a funding committee meeting on February 8th where they talked about the United We Stand Grant, they will be pushed over to US DOT for funding purposes. There will be a Planning and Training subcommittee meeting tomorrow, and on March 16th. Tomorrow will focus on each county's Hazmat Plan and the exercise reports that were submitted. There was a special meeting on January 21st, to look at the Administrative Code that affects SERC. The next SERC meeting will be April 14, 2016.

m. Satellite Phone Update

No report

o. ARES/RACES Update

No report

XII. Public Comment

- Bill Richardson, Nellis AFB advised that Nellis will host the August EMC meeting to discuss the airshow as well as some exercise opportunities.
- Richard Brenner updated everyone about the liquefied natural gas through union pacific. He advised that by April or May of this year the railroad will begin using this gas as they go through the valley. He also reported that Shell truck stops is looking at putting an underground pipeline of liquefied natural gas by the end of the year. He then stated that Swissport Fuel would like to do an exercise this coming year to look at the storm drains, Richard directed them to talk to the airport first to get buy-in.
- Todd Lericos, National Weather Service advised they had some joint training on hazmat dispersion last month, CLV Metro ARMOR both participated. They learned a lot about the gaps in response time. Todd then reported that there is a joint project with NWS and National Park Service to increase the number of weather stations and weather buoys on both lake Mead and Lake Mojave which will substantially increase search and rescue efforts. The vast number of deaths on the lake are weather related such as boats capsizing etc. these weather stations will be helpful in providing most accurate up to date weather detail to help boaters make better decisions about going out on the lake during inclement weather.
- George Molnar, Vegas PBS, reiterated to the body that he is very involved in communications, he advised that First Net has issued their RFP for a nationwide communications partner to create a data network nationwide. He asked that everyone review it as early comments from Nevada were not well represented. At a later date this year George advised that they will be coming around again so there would be another opportunity.
- Ryan Turner, City of Henderson, reported that the Director Conference was held last week where he spoke briefly about forming the Nevada Emergency Managers Association. Ryan gave some rationale behind the vision of the group and that it would be started this year.
- Craig Cooper, Las Vegas Fire and Rescue, advised that he supervises the ARMOR Task Force and they are formally changing their name to the Nevada CBRNE Task Force. The big reason he brings this up is the response at Luxor last week because there was a disconnect when they responded, he advised that they are willing to come out and do a presentation.
- The Chair commended the LEPC for an all-time high in the group working well with one another and all of the work being done

Next LEPC meeting: Wednesday May 11, 2016 at 9:00 A.M., Clark County Government Center, Pueblo Room, 1st floor, 500 S. Grand Central Pkwy, Las Vegas, NV 89106

XIII. Adjournment

Motion, by Ryan Turner: **To adjourn.**

Seconded, by Richard Brenner

No discussion, motioned carried.